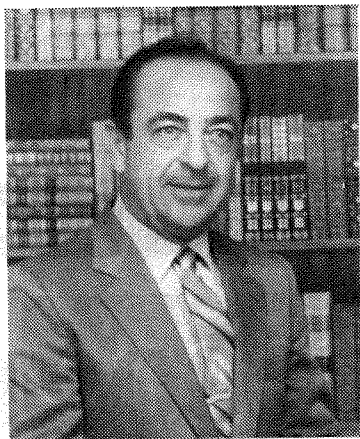


## Lyle Lamont Watts



**Feb. 13, 1932 - June 18, 2024**

Lyle Watts was born in Barnes City, on February 13, 1932, to Warren and Florence Mae (Strong) Watts. He passed away of natural causes at the age of 92 in his home on June 18, 2024.

Lyle was a 1950 graduate of Montezuma High School. He was an Army veteran and served in the Korean War and then returned to farming after his time in the service. He moved to Des Moines in 1957 to attend AIB college. Immediately after graduation from AIB, he began working as a bookkeeper for Newman Construction Company. A few years later, he became a State Farm agent, where he worked for 35 years.

Lyle coached South Des Moines Little League baseball for several years. He was a loyal fan of the Iowa Hawkeyes and loved to golf, but his true love was country music and loved country dancing.

He is survived by his son, Steve Watts of Des Moines; his grandchildren, Ryan (Christy) Watts of Norwalk, Bryan (Mellisa) Watts of Norwalk, Amber (Chris) Rardin of Russell, Brenda Lyons of Des Moines, Mica Warren Ballard of Des Moines, Brandy Greubel Probasco of Des Moines, and James Greubel of Des Moines; his fifteen great-grandchildren; his six great-great-grandchildren; and a sister, Phyllis Mann of Carlisle.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Sidney (Watts) Greubel, great-grandson, Matthew Blackford, siblings Keith Watts, Joetta Bates, and Dennis Watts.

Lyle will be deeply missed by his family and his many, many friends. *The Herald, 9/18/24*